

ODIN Program Office

Contract Clarification

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Issue: Confusion exists with respect to the applicability of NASA's Technical Standard MIL-STD-2805 Minimum Hardware Configurations to the ODIN GP3 seat offering.

Contract Reference:

E.2.1.4 GP3 SEAT DESCRIPTION

Functionality: the laptop computer resources providing a standard interoperability software for office automation and mobile productivity enhancement needs. Functionality includes: word processing, spreadsheet, presentation graphics, electronic messaging (e-mail, calendaring, forms), Internet tools (WWW, news, FTP, Telnet, collaborative tools, etc.), anti-virus.

This seat is intended to fulfill the majority of NASA's requirements for portable computing. These requirements include support for the user who (1) needs full desktop capabilities from various locations within a Center (with ease of mobility) with seat functionality intact, (2) needs access to resources (e.g., e-mail, files) at the Center while away from the office, and (3) makes high quality presentations while on travel (e.g., connection to projection system). Optional capabilities which expand the portable computing environment when working in the office environment include a connection to a docking station or to a monitor. Users may order optional PDAs and palmtops to access Center resources locally or remotely through the CSCC.

Platforms in this seat are capable of running the minimum Agency and Center standard office automation software suite at acceptable performance levels and meet or exceed the manufacturer's recommended hardware requirements for each of the office automation software packages.

Clarification:

The key phrase in (1) "needs full desktop capabilities.." clearly reflects the intent of the GP3 seat to meet with the full functionality of NASA's "desktop". Further, I have verified with the Principal Center for Workgroup hardware and Software at Glenn Research center that in fact (with the notable exception of monitor size) 2805 does apply to the laptop computer.